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April 20, 2010

Senator Andrew J. McDonald
23 Pierce Road
Stamford, CT 06906

Re: David M. Sheridan

Dear Chairman McDonald and Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am writing today in support of the nomination of Attorney David M. Sheridan to be a Judge of the Superior Court.

Mr. Sheridan has served as Counsel for the Bristol Downtown Development Corporation, a City agency overseeing the revitalization of the center of Bristol. David was selected for this role not only because of his expertise in municipal matters, but also for his genuine enthusiasm for the promise of the reinvention of an urban center.

One of anyone's most difficult tasks is to manage a room of skeptical, questioning and sometimes angry citizens. The nominee before you always demonstrated the ability to handle these situations with grace and skill. I believe that this ability indicates that Attorney Sheridan possesses the qualities necessary for good judicial temperament.

I would urge the Committee to act favorably on his nomination.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Arthur J. Ward".

Arthur J. Ward
Mayor